## NOTICE OF A CITIZENS INFORMATIONAL WORKSHOP FOR THE PROPOSED CLOSURE OF TWO RAILROAD CROSSINGS (EDGEWOOD TERRACE DRIVE AND MODE ROAD) IN WEST END AND INSTALLATION OF CROSSING GATES AND SIGNALS AT THE LAKEWAY LANE RAILROAD CROSSING IN SEVEN LAKES

TIP Project No. Y-4808C

**Moore County** 

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) will hold the above Citizens Informational Workshop (CIW) on Monday, April 19, 2010, beginning at 5 p.m. and ending at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria of West End Elementary School, 4483 NC Highway 211, West End, 27376.

This CIW will be held to gather public input in preparation of a federally-funded project study, called a Categorical Exclusion (CE) that will document the impacts and benefits of closing several at-grade rail crossings along the NC 211 corridor. The public involvement and the CE are required under the National Environmental Policy Act, or NEPA. NCDOT representatives will be available in an informal setting to answer questions and receive comments about the proposed project. The opportunity to submit written comments or questions also will be provided. Interested citizens may attend at any time during the above mentioned hours. No formal presentation will be made.

NCDOT proposes to close two existing Aberdeen, Carolina & Western Railroad crossings along the NC 211 corridor; Crossing No. 465 763W at State Road 1180 (Edgewood Terrace Drive), and Crossing No. 465 761H at State Road 1133 (Mode Road). The proposed closures are part of an effort to reduce the number of repetitious and/or unsafe highway-rail at-grade crossings statewide. Improvements include installing crossing gates and signals at Crossing No. 465 751C at Lakeway Lane.

Anyone desiring additional information may contact Marc Hamel, NCDOT Rail Division, Environmental and Planning Branch, at (919) 733-7245 x 270, or via email at <a href="mailto:mhamel@ncdot.gov">mhamel@ncdot.gov</a> or NCDOT Consultant Julie Timm of Moffatt & Nichol at (919) 781-4626, or via email at <a href="mailto:JTimm@moffattnichol.com">JTimm@moffattnichol.com</a>.

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who wish to participate in this workshop. Anyone requiring special services should contact Mr. Hamel as early as possible so that arrangements can be made.